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SUBJECT: PRESS REPORT RE LIBYAN DEMAND FOR PARTICIPATION IN OIL COMPANIES

REF: STATE 192456; ALGIERS 1671; TRIPOLI 1997

1. DURING MEETING WITH DEPSECGEN PRESIDENCY HAMDANI OCOTBER 27, I ASKED WHETHER HE HAD ANY COMMENT RE ARTICLE IN OCTOBER 20 ISSUE OF "LA REPUBLIQUE" OF ORAN RE NATIONALIZATION OF LIBYAN OIL TO WHICH I HAD REFERRED HIM IN PHONE CONVERSATION SEVERAL DAYS BEFORE. HAMDANI REPLIED THAT HE HAD JUST SEEN ARTICLE YESTERDAY AND IT HAD SURPRISED HIM AND HE WONDERED WHO [redacted] MIGHT BE TRYING TO PUT ALGERIA IN BAD LIGHT RE LIBYAN OIL NATIONALIZATIONS. B1

2. HAMDANI ACCOMPANIED BOUMEDIENE TO HASSI MESSAOUD MEETING WITH QADHAFI AND PRESUMABLY WOULD KNOW WHAT WAS SAID RE OIL PARTICIPATION. HE DID NOT GIVE ME ANYTHING LIKE A FULL BURIEFING BUT IMPLIED THAT DISCUSSION OF SUBJECT HAD BEEN ROUTINE. [redacted] B1

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